

MAD AS HELL—Approximately 500 LACCD classified workers protested the board's proposed employee layoffs yesterday. Ben White (left), a carpenter at East Los Angeles College and president of the ELAC classified employees association speaks to the board. Hattie Haynes (top right), a district personnel clerk expresses her non-verbal discontent as Chancellor Leslie Koltai (bottom right) watches and listens.



JEFF SHARE / Valley Star

District ax hangs over 500 positions

By JOSEPH KEHOE, Editor-in-Chief and MARY CRONIN, News Editor

In the face of fierce objections by some 500 hundred employees, the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) Board of Trustees was still considering last night whether to cut 500 classified positions throughout the district.

At a special session yesterday the board heard the pleas of nearly 50 speakers who asked that they should find another way out of the funding dilemma. The district is currently faced with a \$33 million budget deficit.

At 7:30 last night, the board had still not voted on the proposal.

However, from what Chancellor Leslie Koltai had to say, it would seem that the board was leaning toward approving the move.

Koltai opened the meeting by stating that the board "worked feverishly to find some middle ground." However, the board's actions were limited by the budget crisis created in Sacramento and it was forced to make "this devastating reduction," he said.

Koltai also announced the formation of a major displacement program to be established on community college campuses where displaced workers would receive job training.

Valley employee Steve Stein, showed the board a dead rat to make his point.

He said that the trash bins are not being emptied on a schedule but

when they are full, and that "vermin infest the grounds."

He accused the board of "turning our schools into slums," and said that "in the future the board will be trustees of sewers."

Members of the Los Angeles Black Faculty Association expressed their particular indignation at the proposal.

Mel Brown, an instructor at Los Angeles Trade Technical College called the layoffs "indecent, illicit, and immoral."

The association vowed that it would seek a federal injunction charging the district with violation of Affirmative Action guidelines.

Most of the speakers addressing the board focused on three issues: the approximate \$1 billion surplus in Sacramento; the confusing district budget figures; and the specter of steady erosion of facilities and services on district campuses.

Larry Vozel, Harbor College employee, said, "We do not like being made a political tool in negotiations with Sacramento while you play a numbers game with your budget."

According to Darlene Baltie, district public information officer, the layoffs would save approximately \$6.8 million.

At a special meeting held last week, Dr. Mary Lee, president of Valley College, asked Valley's

classified employees not to over react to the possibility that they would lose their jobs.

"... When you look at this list, don't go out and jump over a cliff because your position's on it," she said.

Because of seniority, Lee explained, the selection process of those employees who would be laid off is so "extremely complicated" that it would be impossible to discuss in any detail "at this time."

The classified seniority system is based on the number of hours worked in a classification.

The audience reacted with a collective moan when Lee pointed out that there is a case in the district "where one person was hired in 1975, another in 1976, and the person in 1976 has one more hour than the person hired in 1975."

Among the departments hardest hit by the reductions will be clerical (141) fewer positions, custodial (93), cafeteria (55), and maintenance (52). District colleges will lose 76 custodians, 64.5 clerk-typists, and 30.25 cafeteria workers.

Because of part-time employees, the reductions in the 500 positions could affect as many as 700 people.

The cuts are scheduled to take place at the end of the first week that the State Legislature returns to session in January.

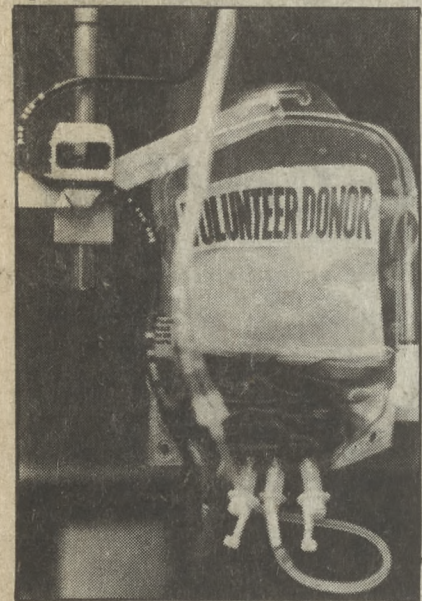
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Blood drive to cruise in today

By JEFF SHARE, City Editor

"I have nothing to offer but blood, toils, tears, and sweat," Winston Churchill once said in a speech to the House of Commons. Today and tomorrow the American Red Cross (ARC) does not want your toil, tears, or sweat, just your blood.

The blood drive will be held in Monarch Hall from 8 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. today and tomorrow, according to Nancy Kephart, field representative for the ARC.



Anyone in good health, between the ages of 17 to 66, and weighing at least 110 pounds can donate blood.

Kephart said the reason to donate blood is that "we can't manufacture it. It is basically the gift of life."

Before each donation, temperature, blood pressure, hemoglobin level, and a brief medical history is checked. This is done to assure the safety of the donor and the blood recipient.

The actual donation takes less than 10 minutes. According to ARC literature, if you pinch yourself on the forearm just inside the elbow joint, "it (the needle) will hurt that little for just a second or two."

The whole process from the medical screening to the pause for rest and refreshment following the donation takes between 30 to 45 minutes.

The blood that is collected is taken downtown to a laboratory that tests for blood type and other characteristics.

Acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) and some strains of hepatitis cannot be detected by testing the blood. The ARC urges people who suspect they might have one of these to refrain from donating because these diseases might be transferrable through blood transfusions.

Once the blood is tested, typed, and cross-matched, it is then stored until a hospital needs it. Since the ARC is a non-profit organization the blood is sold to the hospital at a

cost recovery fee.

According to ARC statistics, more than 1,000 people need blood every day in Los Angeles and Orange County.

Blood is perishable and cannot be stockpiled. Only about 30 percent of all the blood ARC collects is used as whole blood, which has a shelf life of 35 days.

The rest of the collected blood is broken down into plasma, platelets, red cells, and white cells. These have shelf-lives ranging from eight hours for white cells to red cells that can be frozen for many years.

Component transfusion therapy is the process of breaking down the blood and giving each recipient just the components he or she needs. This allows one blood donation to help several people.

In California almost all the blood used in hospitals is volunteer blood. This is because of a law that makes the use of pay blood a misdemeanor as long as volunteer blood is available.

Kephart said, "The two day goal for Valley College is 160 pints. That is one pint per person."

To encourage everyone to donate, Kephart recited an ARC slogan.

"Blood is a like a parachute, if it's not there when you need it, chances are you'll never need it again."

'Perfect Stranger' will premiere for Valley's autumn lineup tonight

By MARTI HOLBROOK STEVENS, Associate View Editor

The world premiere of Larry Maraviglia's "Perfect Stranger," directed by John Larson, opens tonight at 8:30 p.m. in the Horseshoe Theater.

Maraviglia, who has written plays primarily for dinner theater personalities such as Van Johnson and Caesar Romero, attended auditions, rehearsals, and has "been here every time," said director and theater instructor John Larson.

"He has been accessible as far as rewrites to make the performance work."

"It has been a real pleasure to work with Maraviglia and a valuable experience for the actors to be able to make the script changes that are made nightly," Larson said.

Larson describes "Perfect Stranger" as "a typical lighthearted romantic comedy of conventional conflict."

The storyline evolves around two young men, Buzz, played by Keith Cox, and Norti, played by Joe

'War' declared

By MARY CRONIN, News Editor

"This is war, and we're going to have to win it," said Marguerite Archie, president of the Los Angeles Community College District at a rally held in Monarch Square last Thursday.

Saying that it is time for the students to "stand up to the governor and the Legislature," Archie urged students and faculty to converge on Sacramento in January when the Legislature reconvenes to protest proposed fees in the state's community colleges.

State senators Alan Robbins (D-Van Nuys), Art Torres (D-Los Angeles), and Assemblyman Gray Davis also spoke out forcefully against community college tuition and urged the collected students and

faculty to fight against the proposed fees.

The rally was one of many being held at community colleges throughout the state to inform students about the status of the tuition issue and to mobilize students and teachers to fight against the proposed fees.

The crowd of about 200 attending the ASB sponsored rally was smaller than anticipated, but highly vocal in its stand against tuition. The speakers were greeted with enthusiasm, and any mention of Gov. George Deukmejian's name brought boos and catcalls.

Davis decried the slow erosion of the tradition of tuition free higher education in California. He said that 15 years ago there was a complete system of tuition free institutions here, but that that system has been systematically destroyed.

"Just 15 years ago it didn't cost anyone any money to get in the UC system, the state college system, or the community college system. Now there is only one institution of higher education in this state of 24 million people that has never turned away a student for lack of money, and that institution is the community colleges of California."

Davis explained his belief that college students learn skills that help to make them more productive adults, and therefore the state is reimbursed for educating its citizens. "You'll pay us [the state] back many times over for the investment the state makes in your education. It is not whether you will pay us back, but when."

Telling the audience that the sunset compromise (instating fees with the stipulation that they would end after a specified period of time) was not acceptable, Davis said, "The sun never sets in Sacramento. It only rises."

Archie firmly stated that "there is no compromise to the right to free public higher education."

She reminded the audience that then-governor Ronald Reagan also only asked for a small temporary fee for the California UC and state colleges, and now the cost of entry into the UC system is up to \$1300.

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Legislators lash out against tuition; urge student mobilization in battle

Torres, who began his higher education at East Los Angeles College, likened his tour throughout the state as a campaign of "truth squads" that "take our message ... to the people who the governor says don't care — the people who represent the art community, the people who represent the educational community, and to the community college students."

Charging that there is "\$240 million in various cookie jars throughout Sacramento that should be used for community colleges," Torres said that the issue for the governor is not the deficit, or balancing the community college budget, but that "he hasn't heard from the students of the community colleges in California."

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Steve Laferney / Valley Star

ANTI-TUITION WARRIOR—Sen. Art Torres (D-Los Angeles) blasted the possibility of student fees at California community colleges at an anti-tuition rally at Valley last week.

STAR EDITORIALS

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One from the heart

The gift of life is something that we, as humans, all have. Our bodies produce it, it is always needed, and it costs us nothing to give because a body's supply is always replaced within 56 days.

The gift of life is blood.

Today and tomorrow, the American Red Cross will be collecting blood at Monarch Hall from 8 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

This is an opportunity for anyone between the ages of 17 and 66, weighing at least 110 pounds and in good health, to save a life.

A donation of one pint of blood can help three or more people. Components of the blood are broken down and separated, furthering its use.

More than 1,000 people need blood everyday in Los Angeles and Orange Counties. Supplies depend on volunteer donors.

Volunteer blood has been medically proven to be 10 times safer than blood for pay. For this reason, California has passed a law stating that all blood used in this state must come from voluntary donors. Any blood that is paid for in California must be shipped out of state.

The idea that blood is always available is a great fallacy.

Last month, the blood reserves for Los Angeles and Orange Counties plummeted to a critical stage. Blood was only released on definite need, postponing all non-emergency surgeries until the blood supply was restocked.

Blood is a living tissue and is perishable. Most blood has a shelf-life of 35 days.

Donors are always needed. To keep blood supplies available is a community responsibility.

This is your chance to save a life.

Second sex? No way

"Social science affirms that a woman's place in society marks the level of civilization."

—Elizabeth Cady Stanton

The evil beast of social discrimination carries two faces, worldly different in scope yet equally dangerous in effect. One face wears the passionate, emotionally charged hatred characteristic of racism and bigotry. The other face wears the passive, socially "accepted" form, so subtle that even those who are discriminated against may not know of its existence.

It is the latter that has hit women.

The Fall '83 semester at Valley College has seen the beginnings of a program designed to dull the teeth of the discriminatory "beast." This program is the series of Women's Awareness Seminars, instituted and coordinated by Jerilyn Stapelton, Associated Student Body commissioner of women's concerns.

Citing "education" as the primary function of the seminar series, Stapelton hopes that the series will "be established and remain an ongoing project."

"They (the seminars) will provide information on a variety of issues that effect women's duties," said Stapelton.

Making women conscious of the subtleties of

sexism, the seminars will deal with subjects such as "Dealing with Sexist Language" and "Sex Discrimination in Insurance," as well as offering lectures on rape prevention.

"Sex Discrimination in Insurance," which will be held today at 11 a.m. in CC 104, offers information on a subject where public awareness has been minimal; insurance companies unfairly singling out women to charge different sets of rates.

"Insurance rates should not be based on sex," said Stapelton. "They should be based on real facts, such as miles driven and driving records."

Another topic to be covered in the Women's Awareness Seminars is how education of children has been inherently sexist, with women taking a secondary role in textbooks and nursery rhymes.

"Education. That's where it all starts," said Stapelton.

Persons of both sexes are invited to the seminar series to be tentatively held on the third Thursday of every month.

"More males should come to them," Stapelton said. "We encourage them."

If the women's place is what the measure of society is based upon, then the Women's Awareness Seminars should make us all a bit more civilized.



Letters to the Star

'Good standing'

Dear Editor,

I would like to respond to your editorial, "Clubbed by suspension."

(The suspension possibility for campus clubs not meeting a 90 percent Associated Student Body membership) is not a new issue and, contrary to your paper's point of view, was not brought about because of sagging membership.

As (chairman of the ASB) Senate last year, I saw this problem come and go throughout my term and didn't want it to stand in the way of club activities.

I assumed if I stated a definite deadline for the memberships, we wouldn't have a problem. Needless to say, I was incorrect.

I am not trying to strong-arm anyone. (Nor) am I on a furious

public relations campaign with the (ASB) Senate or anyone else! However, I am reminding clubs of one of their responsibilities as a club; (that) all registered club members shall be in good standing with the ASB (maintain a "C" average or better and be ASB members). You can attend club meetings without being registered with ASB.

I notice your editorial didn't have any statements from club presidents or Senate representatives. I invite you to poll them and see how the majority feels about this issue. You might be surprised with the results.

Also, for those who can't afford the \$7 membership, there is a 99 percent chance we will soon be offering students the opportunity to work a few voluntary hours for the ASB to maintain the membership.

You don't have to be rich to join ASB; all you need is a desire to get involved!

Steve Appell,
ASB Vice-President

'In the rear'

Dear Valley Star,

I would like to point out several errors in the article "Smokeless people in a smoke-filled world" that appeared Oct. 13.

Obviously the writer hasn't had much experience in dining out or travelling.

All the restaurants I've been to

have the smoking sections in the rear.

As a smoker, I know for a fact that on all buses and planes the smoking sections are in the rear and have been for years. Even trains have special cars for the smoker called "Smoking Cars." Airports also have smoking and clean air sections.

This is fine with me. I consider myself a considerate smoker and don't want to offend those who don't smoke.

Maybe the writer should check out his facts before he makes another attack.

Kary Rose,
Valley Student

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'Facist baby-killers' replace myth with truth

By MARY CRONIN, News Editor

"Getting married? See us first."

This simple message of Planned Parenthood to prospective parents was placed on bus benches along Chandler Boulevard recently.

Surely, most of us wouldn't take offense to the goals of the Planned Parenthood group—that

The key is in realizing that these convictions are not held as much out of hatred or malice as out of ignorance.

Lack of education is the primary cause of firmly grasped assumptions that have no basis in reality.

Educating youth about the joys and repercussions of sex is of

guilt. Giving the child up for adoption causes the pain of detachment and loss. Raising the unwanted child is difficult at best, and often leads the girl into an endless struggle for social and economic survival.

On a larger scale, it becomes easy to see the consequences of sexual ignorance. The frustrations of overcrowded and underprivileged homes have become so unbearable that wife beating and child abuse are major problems. Any assessment of

the problems related to child bearing today leads to the conclusion that proper sex education is imperative. Myths must be replaced with truth.

Fallacies should be supplanted with facts.

To promote family planning does not make one a baby killer. To ignore the need to educate our children about sex and parenthood, however, will kill the chances of a quality life in the future.

Distant song makes love out of static

By GREGORY POTTER, Managing Editor

I'm in love. News to you? The Iran-Iraq war which threatens to squeeze shut the Persian Gulf would probably affect your gas tanks more than my love life can.

But how many of you at some point, like myself, turned the spigot of your love life off as tight as OPEC turned off the oil 10 years ago?

Isn't it news then, if we allow love to graze our lives—if only for a second?

By choice or circumstances, love may not last. Which is why it must be seized and celebrated in the now.

This realization came to me as I drove home from San Francisco last summer.

On a winding stretch of Highway 101 just west of Morro Bay, I picked up a distant signal on the radio. An old Steve Winwood song, potent with memory, coursed through the airwaves to my ear:

When there's no one left to leave you,
Even you don't quite believe you,

That's when nothing can deceive you,
When you see a chance, take it...

Each twisting curve in the road my car engaged turned a favorite song into a hiss of static. Gradually, static triumphed over music, and when a swollen hill passed between me and the faint signal, the hiss remained as constant as the high-pitched scream of a cardiac monitor etching the moment of death.

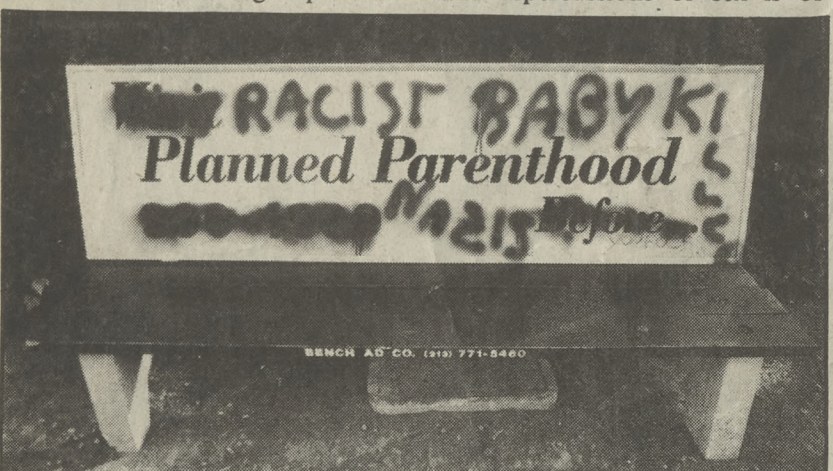
"Damn it. No!" I shouted, groping the fine tune knob. "Don't leave me."

Don't leave me. Don't leave me. How many times I had cheated myself out of possible love for fear of being left. How many feelings I had killed in me in defense of someone else killing them first.

The signal dead, I reached for the "off" knob on the radio.

Then I remembered the ecstatic surges that blazed through me each time I heard that song—or knew that I was in love.

Since airplay for Winwood's song became as seldom as my feelings of



is, to educate women and couples about the value of a planned family, and explain how to achieve that goal.

And proclaiming the Planned Parenthood organization as "racist, facist, baby-killers" would strike most of us as fairly ludicrous.

Yet someone feels so strongly that the organization is racist, facist, and kills babies, that this person defaced every one of the benches carrying Planned Parenthood's message.

It would be easy to dismiss this as the work of a maniac, but it's probably better to try to understand why our society spawns individuals whose sexual convictions drive them to hateful acts.

paramount importance. However, just the opposite occurs.

A ongoing survey by T.J. Yacovone, Sociology Instructor at Valley, has found that 75 percent of his students received no explicit sexual information from their parents, and most of them were not informed about the various forms of contraception available.

Lack of sex education can complicate a young person's—especially a young woman's—life.

Girls faced with unwanted pregnancies have three choices, all of which will affect the rest of her life.

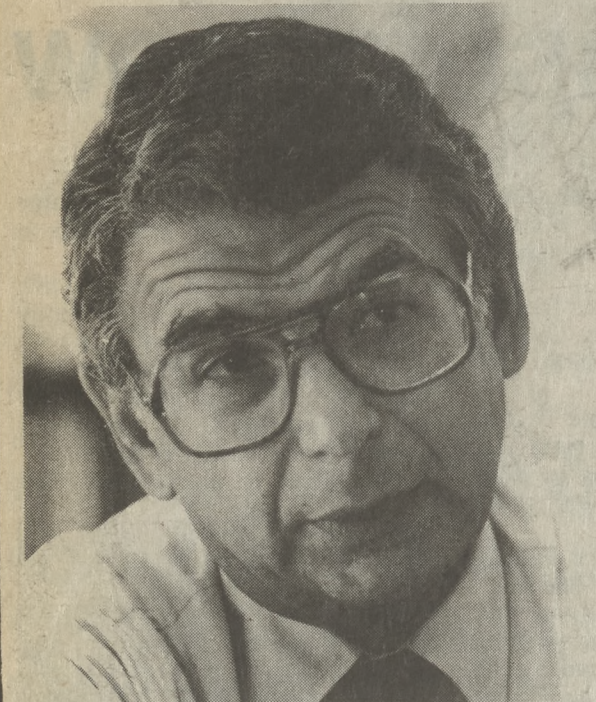
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Perspective

Vice-president plays pivotal educational role

By DAVID BOHRER, Associate News Editor

This is another in a series of profiles featuring some of the people who affect the quality of life at Valley College.



DENISE MORGAN / Valley Star

What does Edwin A. Young have in common with Claude Rains? They both play the invisible man.

Young, vice-president of academic affairs, may not be the most visible administrator on campus, but in his position he plays a crucial role in the education of Valley College students.

"Our department affects a student's life by the kinds of programs we have, the courses, and the curriculum we offer. Anything that relates to the instructional program comes under the Department of Academic Affairs," said Young. "We try to evaluate what changes are taking place in the four year colleges and in the work place. Then we try to assure that the courses we offer provide students the opportunity to be successful in either," he said.

Born in Pittsburg, PA, Young has been at Valley College for the past two years.

Prior to coming to Valley, Young did institutional research, was a counselor, a psychology professor, and coordinated programs for disadvantaged students at Los Angeles City College.

Young then moved on to Pierce College for five years, and then came to Valley. Young began here as Dean of Instruction and moved to his current position one year later.

One of the major issues facing community colleges today, according to Young, is the funding situation.

"It's very difficult to place the blame on one individual (Gov. George Deukmejian). It's the com-

bination of circumstances that have arisen that have brought us to this current funding situation," said Young.

Young also has very strong views on the possibility of tuition for community colleges.

"I believe that the community colleges serve a different function, and that is to provide access to education for all the people in the state. The history of tuition is such that once it begins, it increases a great amount and therefore tends to eliminate certain students from attending the college. Overall, I would rather not see tuition.

"It's not that the money is not available; the issue as far as tuition is concerned is one more of principle. When the discussion initially began over tuition it was felt that there wasn't money available for the community colleges. I think at this point the state is finding that they do have the money available. The issue now is whether education is an investment that the state makes for the betterment of the people under the state, or whether people who gain a service such as education should be required to pay part of the cost for that service," said Young.

Young attended USC and UCLA and holds a M.A. in psychology and education from USC, and an A.A. in business administration, a B.A. in psychology, and a Ph.D. in psychology from UCLA. Although when the two teams compete, Young said he still favors UCLA.

"I think psychology has helped me not only in having studied it," said Young, "but in the applications of it in the various jobs that I have had. It has been helpful in that I can apply some of the things that I have learned to working with people."

During his spare time, Young and his wife of 25 years, Ruth, enjoy going for long drives in their trailer and going to plays and movies.

As for the future of Valley College, Young said, "I think our problem is going to be one of establishing priorities that support the main mission of the college. Then once those priorities are established, to carry out the programs with the greatest amount of quality that we can."



Anxious ASB analyzes fall film festival fizzle

By ANNETTE HOY, Staff Writer

The Associated Student Body's (ASB) film series cannot continue in its current form and will have to be revamped, it was decided Tuesday at the ASB Executive Council meeting.

Jeffrey Falgien, commissioner of social activities, announced that the ASB would lose \$2,100 on the series if it ended at this point. If it continues, the ASB faces a loss of \$2,950.

Saturday night there were only two people at the movie, aside from council members and security.

ASB president Jeff Kaplan suggested the failure of the film series was partly caused by not enough advance advertising. Flyers, which were supposed to be the series' main promotion, were scheduled to be sent out with ASB cards.

The cards only started going out Tuesday morning, according to ASB secretary Desert Cowart.

Suggestions were given by the

council to revamp the film series, from viewing movies only once a month to cancelling all films except "The Rocky Horror Picture Show," scheduled to be shown on homecoming night.

"I'm not totally for scrapping this (the film series), but I think it's a good idea that's not working," Falgien said.

Layoffs . . .

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"Now I'm not saying that the Legislature will make peace with the governor or within itself the first week they come back. But I'm not saying that it's impossible," Lee said.

At this point, the only way that the positions can be saved is if Sacramento provides more funding. "This college will not exist the way it is, if this goes into effect. That's all there is to it."

NEWS NOTES

PATRON'S SCHOLARSHIPS . . .

The deadline for scholarship application is Friday, Oct. 21. Twenty scholarships of \$100 each will be given. Apply at the Financial Aid Office in CC100.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER . . .

The Child Development Center has a limited number of part-time job openings for LAVC students. Applications may be obtained at the Child Care Center or the Counseling Department. The center also has a limited number of part-time openings available for children of LAVC students. Fees for child care depend on income, and inquiries should be directed to the center.

ICE CREAM . . .

The Valley Galley Ice Cream Parlour is now open Monday through Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAM . . .

The Nobel Prize winning organization Amnesty will present a program on the human rights conditions in the world next Monday at 7:30 p.m. in Monarch Hall. The program will include a short film and a question and answer period. A panel of prominent guests will be present including guest speaker Osvaldo Jauretche, former prisoner of conscience from Argentina.

ALLIANCE FOR SURVIVAL . . .

The Valley Chapter of Alliance for Survival will present a rally to support International Disarmament Day tomorrow at noon in CC214. The program, titled "Nuclear Missiles for Europe Mean Nuclear War for America: The Euro-missile Crisis," will feature student, faculty, and guest speakers.

SCHOLARSHIPS . . .

Students who have a "B" average or better and plan to pursue a public service career may be eligible to receive up to \$5,000 per year to continue their education. Applications are available through History Department Chairman Richard Hendricks, CC235. Deadline is Monday, Oct. 31.

WOMEN'S AWARENESS SEMINARS . . .

NOW President Sally Rosloff will conduct a seminar on sex discrimination in insurance today at 11 a.m. in CC104. Everyone is invited to attend.

CREDIT/NO CREDIT . . .

The last day to petition for credit/no credit in an approved class is tomorrow.

Chris,
Get Well
soon.
The Star

IDRIES SHAH:

THE TWO DEMONS

A junior devil said to a senior one.

"If only we could stop man from using sovereign intellect! Can we not devise a scheme to block his efforts towards self-development?"

The elder answered:

"My child, it has been done already! Man was aetons ago convinced that he possesses choice and sovereign intellect as some sort of gift. He has long since — with only a few insignificant exceptions — ceased to listen to anyone who says that he has a real intellect waiting to be developed."

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THE MUSHROOMS OF OCTOBER—Recent autumn showers provided the perfect climate of these interesting forms of vegetation, which have cropped on Valley lawns.

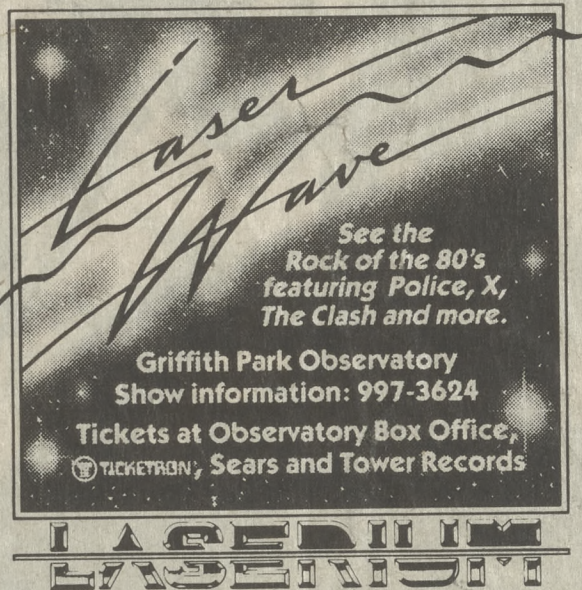
Tuition battle . . .

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Robbins, also a former community college student, said, "the anti-tuition battle that will be fought in the next 12 months is of far greater importance than just you and I and the immediate college students in California."

Robbins also told the audience

that the governor "is betting that the students of California will sit back and take it and allow tuition to become law in this state." He concluded that the people of California should "stop the silliness in Sacramento."



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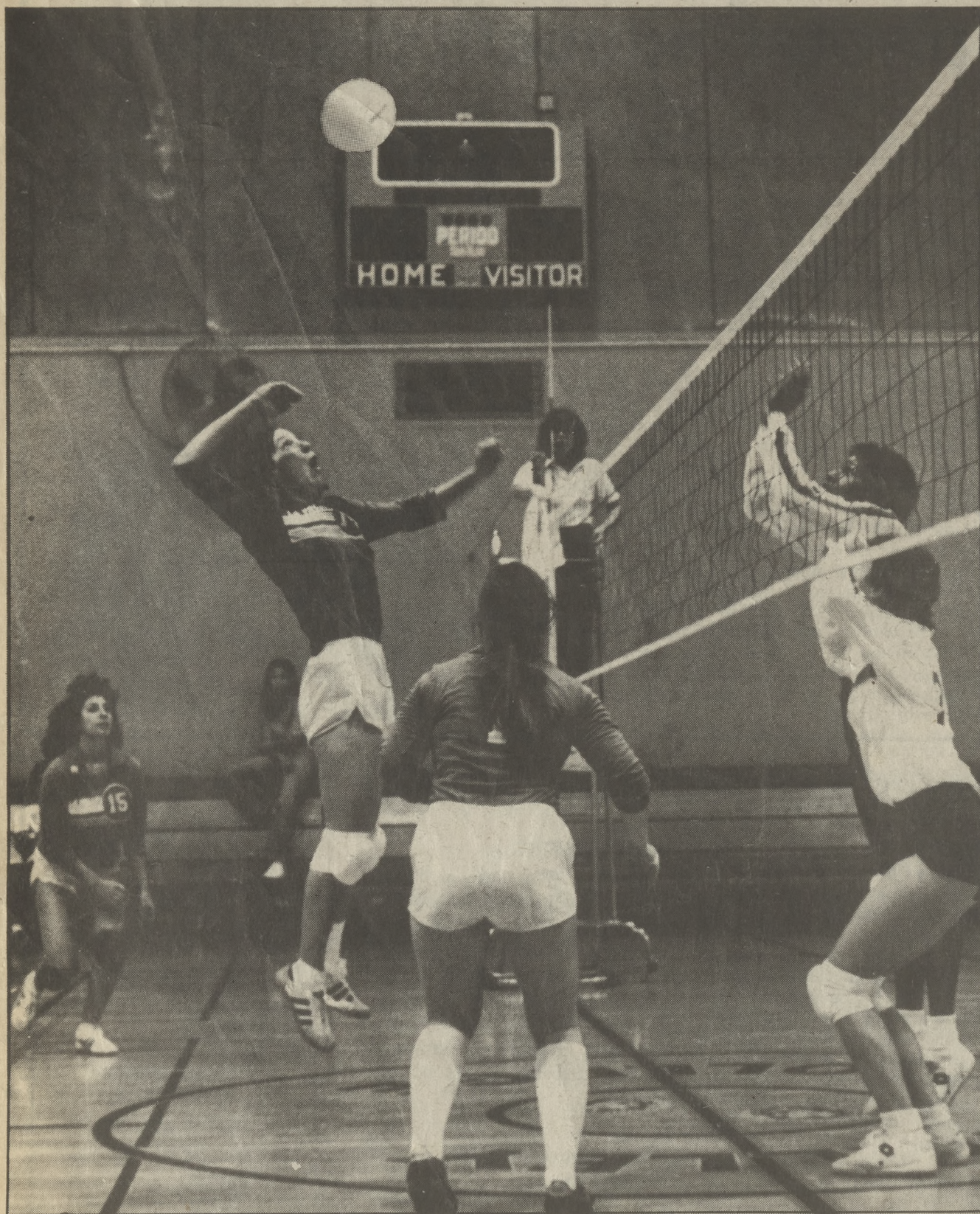
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TIMELESS SUSPENSION—Carol Trejos of Valley prepares to spike the ball on an unprepared Antelope Valley team. She scored the point and Valley went on to win their first league game. Colleen O'Grady (1) and Deborah Fox (15) are by Trejos' side.

Women's volleyball team taken off the endangered list-for now

By CHRIS HASSETT, Sports Editor

The women's volleyball team has had their share of problems this year.

It would be generous to say they started off on the wrong foot. Actually, the program nearly folded.

And if it wasn't for the dedication of one woman, it never would have started.

Her name is Gail Wolze, the new coach of the team.

Wolze was asked to coach the team several days after Marla O'Connell, Valley's volleyball coach for the last eight years, took a one year leave of absence to play volleyball in France.

The problem was that O'Connell did not really make it clear that she was leaving and did not make a definite time to leave until two weeks before school began. And then she was gone.

"I couldn't hire anybody until I knew for sure she was going," said Women's Athletic Director Diedra Stark. "I mean, everything was so up in the air until the last two weeks. So I finally hired Gail at the very end."

But that was too late for the members of last year's team. None of them figured there would be a program this year due to O'Connell's departure. Most of them had already taken on jobs when Wolze began calling around for players, and by the time school had started, Wolze had no players.

"Marla told me that everything was set up and ready to go, and that the girls would be ready to practice," Wolze said.

"But nobody showed up. None of the old players had even been contacted. So I had to go around con-

tacting them a week before school started, but by that time, none of them were planning on playing. So I had to start from zero."

Wolze said that she was literally "scrounging" for players, looking in P.E. classes and other sports programs.

"We even asked people if they would come out for the team just because they were walking on campus and they had volleyball shoes on."

"Those first two weeks I really had to fight not to quit," she said.

"Every day I'd have to talk myself into starting the whole thing over again [recruiting], and by the end of the day, I'd call up Diedra and say 'I can't make it work Dee,' but I didn't want the program to die. So I would go back to work the next day and do it all over again."

"I knew if the program folded this year, it would never get started again," she said.

So one by one Wolze's team came together. She recruited one gymnast, one softball player, and she said she was lucky to acquire several walk-ons.

"When I first looked at this group," she said, "I figured there would be no way we would win a game, I mean *no way*. But they have improved 100 percent."

Wolze said that the lack of experienced players has set the team back quite a ways.

"If all the players last year could have made it back this year," she said, "the team would probably be twice as strong."

"Even the girls that sat on the bench last year would have started this year. There is just a dramatic difference in the skill level. I'm having to take beginning players and turn them into volleyball players."

She said there is one quality to this year's team that could make them winners.

"The strength of this team is team unity," she said. "These girls get along real well and that is what makes it work. If there was one or two of them that didn't get along, then the program wouldn't work."

Barbara Gomperz, a key member of this year team, agrees with Wolze.

"The team is very young right now," she said. "But with a little more work we will have a good team because we are all working as a unit, and in a sport like volleyball you need unity."

"You need six girls working together on the court, and I think we have that."

Occasionally, though the

closeness and high spirits that come along with unity can cause things to get a little out of hand.

"There are a lot of jokers on this team," Wolze said. "You really have to have a lot of patience with them because they are always joking, which is good, except it gets to the point where they're goofing off so bad that I do have to get mad."

But anger is an emotion that



Volleyball Head Coach Gail Wolze says her team has improved 100 % in recent weeks.

Wolze is learning to restrain.

She said she disagrees with the theory of a coach constantly yelling at their team because it causes unnecessary tension that can hinder the way the team plays.

"I try not to put a lot of emphasis on winning so that they can go out there and play without worrying. If they win, that's great, but it is a good lesson to learn to lose. If you know you gave 100 percent and you lost, well that's what it is all about."

THIS WEEK IN SPORTS

FRIDAY, OCT. 14

Cross Country — Mt. SAC Invitational T.B.A. at Mt. San Antonio
Water Polo — College of the Canyons 3 p.m. at C.O.C.

SATURDAY, OCT. 22

Cross Country — Santa Barbara Invitational, T.B.A. at Santa Barbara
Football — East Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m. at East L.A.

TUESDAY, OCT. 25

Cross Country — Valley, Mission, Moorpark, 3 p.m. at Valley.
Water Polo — Citrus, 5 p.m. at Citrus

Kings of pain make it three in a row: rolled over by Antelope Valley 25-0

By CHRIS HASSETT, Sports Editor

The cannons have not roared like this since the Civil War. And after a long, hard battle, the North won again.

The Monarch football team rode to the battle front whistling dixie. Their heads were high and they were eager to fight for their home country. When it was over, they came home with a wounded pride and several injured players.

Antelope Valley, located about 60 miles north-east of Valley College, beat the Monarchs by a score of 25-0, and each of the six Antelope scores was received by a deafening cannon blast that rocked the stadium.

One of the main factors in the Monarch loss was offensive turnovers.

Brent Carter, head coach for Antelope Valley, said that was the main factor in the ballgame.

"If you look at the stats, they were probably a lot closer than the score was. The difference in the game was turnovers. They had six turnovers compared to our two, and usually we got them inside their own 30 yard line."

"But I don't think there is any difference between the two teams on any other Saturday night. That night just happened to be ours," said Carter.

So while the Valley offense was struggling to get a grip on the ball, the defense was playing the best game they have played all year, holding the Antelope offense to just 188 yards.

Antelope averaged only 2.2 yards per rush and passed for less than 100 yards.

"I would say we played a pretty decent ball game," said Bob Meyers defensive coach for the Monarchs.

"But it's the same thing that has happened the last few games. We had a good enough defense to win, but we didn't."

"If you want to look at it from their perspective on offense," he said, "they should say 'God, I'm glad we had a great defense this night,' because you can't win a football game running 48 times at an average of 2.2 yards per carry. That just doesn't get you those first downs."



UP-ENED—Monarch defensive back Lyle Pickens is cut down by a tough Antelope Valley defense during the third quarter. The Monarchs defense played their best game of the year. But the offense, however, was unable to score due to a number of fumbles and penalties which nullified the majority of Valley's offensive drives as Valley lost to Antelope 25-0.

But there are exceptions to every rule, and Antelope proved that early in the game by scoring 15 points in the first half.

"We just couldn't get it together," said Monarch Head Coach Chuck Ferrero. "We made a couple of mistakes that killed us. Otherwise it was a very tight ballgame."

Carter said that although his team won, he didn't feel like he clinched the win until late in the fourth quarter.

"We didn't blow out Valley. I think the score is a little deceiving. We felt it was a very close game. We were just thankful we could contain them."

Valley will go up against East Los Angeles College this Saturday night at 7:30 p.m.

Bob Meyers, Monarch defensive coach said that this game will be a big test for his defense since they have not

gone up against a team that passes as much as East L.A.

It will also be a new experience for much of the team because the game will be played on East L.A.'s new astro turf field, compliments of the L.A. Olympic Committee.

Head Coach Vic Kusscha of East L.A. was unavailable for comment.

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